



## Catholic Church Community of St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway  
Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

### **Pastoral Staff**

Rev. Antony Asir, Pastor  
Rev. Robert Dahlke, SJ, Weekend Priest  
Deacon Robert D. Weisz  
Deacon Edward R. Vigneaux  
Deacon John S. Rapacki

### **Religious Education**

Patricia Chapin, Co-director  
Mary Ellen Carroll, Co-director

### **Parish Outreach**

Staffed by volunteers

### **Music Ministry**

Emilia Savarese, Facilitator

### **Youth Ministry**

Joe Gast, s.c., Youth Minister

### **OUR PARISH SACRAMENTAL LIFE - EUCCHARIST**

Weekend Masses: Saturday: 5pm  
Sunday: 8am, 9:15am, 10:45am, 12:15pm  
Weekday Mass: 9am, Monday through  
Saturday.

**BAPTISM**—As soon as your child is born, please call the Parish Office to make Baptism arrangements. Preparation session and welcoming Mass attendance are required.

**MARRIAGE**—As soon as a couple decides to marry, and BEFORE making any other arrangements, call the Church Office to schedule an appointment with the Parish Office or one of the deacons.

**RECONCILIATION**—Celebrated in Church every Saturday from 4pm to 4:45pm, or by previous appointment with Parish Office.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK**—Call the Church Office to request visitation of the sick.

**CONFIRMATION**—Those who have not been confirmed should call the Parish Office to receive further information.

**HOLY ORDERS**—Contact the Parish Office for more information about the priesthood or diaconate.



*March 8, 2015  
Third Sunday of Lent*

*Parish Mission Statement:  
St. Thomas More Roman Catholic Church is a  
parish community striving to share the Spirit of Love through  
Prayer, Worship, the Sacraments  
The Teachings of the Church, and  
Our concern for others through Christian Stewardship.*

### **Telephones:**

Rectory—	234-5551	FAX 234-6412
Religious Ed—	234-0397	FAX 234-1199
Outreach—	234-3149	FAX 234-1199

## Masses for this coming week

**March 8, 2015**  
**Third Sunday of Lent**  
**Exodus 20: 1-17**  
**Psalm 19:8, 9, 10,11**  
**1 Corinthians 1:22-25**  
**John 2:13-25**

### **Saturday—March 7**

#### **(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)**

9am—Cathleen J. Tallarico *by Andrew Paino*

#### **(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)**

5pm—Sophie Pankus *by Al Pankus*

### **Sunday—March 8—Third Sunday of Lent**

8am—Jacqueline Rousseau *by Deborah De Santis*

9:15am—Denise Joyce *by Donna & Gary Fortmeyer*

10:45am—Joseph Macaluso *by the Borowski family*

12:15pm—Joseph Ruiss *by Kenneth Satchwill*

### **Monday—March 9—St. Frances of Rome**

9am—Isabella Talbot (Living) *by Patrick Keena*

### **Tuesday—March 10**

9am—Veronica Saenz (Living) *by Augustin Keena*

### **Wednesday—March 11**

9am—Catherine M. Wyllie *by Rick & Diane Auspaker  
and family*

### **Thursday—March 12**

9am—Theresa Micucci *by the Cercone family*

### **Friday—March 13**

9am—Louis Giuliano *by Francine Rosmini*

### **Saturday—March 14**

9am—Richard Rogers *by Maria Monteleone*

#### **(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)**

5pm—Joseph Giardino *by Michael & Vivian Jacobs;*  
Regina Henry *by the Morrissey family;* Marie Moesch  
*by Frank & Charlene Dowd;* Isabelle Romeo *by the*  
*Ciancio family;* Nancy Schisano *by Elaine Hahn &*  
*Marsha Augustyn;* Dolores Spegman *by Howard*  
*Spegman;* John Soldo *by his family;* Scott Valerio *by the*  
*Valerio & Pacileo families;* George Vogel *by*  
*Lois Christianson;*

### **Sunday—March 15—Fourth Sunday of Lent**

8am—Joseph Giardino *by Walter & Kathy Drechsler;*

Joseph Hauk *by Emilie Segal;* Joseph R. Macaluso *by*  
*the Dowd family;* Francesco Tarabocchia *by*

*Mr. & Mrs. Steve Mattessich;* Linda Wieman *by*  
*Mary Ann & Ralph Rantz;*

9:15am—Joseph Hauk *by Kay Babits*

10:45am—Frank Lossani *by Jennifer Paruolo, Elizabeth*  
*Montero & Kerri Bender on behalf of Dorothy Lossani*

12:15pm—Joan Fisher *by the McGuire family*

## Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

**March 15, 2015**  
**Fourth Sunday of Lent**  
**2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23**  
**Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6**  
**Ephesians 2:4-10**  
**John 3:14-21**

### **A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John:**

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

“Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.”

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him will not be condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been condemned, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil.

For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.


### **Focus Questions:**

1. Relate a time when you were in darkness. How did you feel when the light came on?
2. Where in your life do you need the light of Christ?
3. Relate a time when your trust in God helped you through a difficult time.

### **Family and children’s question:**

Re-read the line “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son”. How does God’s love for you make you feel?

## PRAY FOR THE SICK



Rita Basile; Louise Beltrani; Pat Berghorn;  
Ronnie Benintendi; William Boney;  
Charles Boston; Parker Broderick;  
Baby Luke Brodersen; Fred Busse;  
Linda Sue Cappisillo; Rich Cascio;  
Jamie Castro-Mango; Maria Connolly;  
Claire Cooper; Donald Cooper;  
Deanna Cotsalas; Norma Cottrell; Sue Cuzzaniti;  
Lucy DeLuca; Debra Deveney; Thomas Duffy; John &  
Maureen Dunn; Raphael Fedele; Barbara Foberg;  
Nadine Follini; Joseph Francica; Rose Fuls;  
Rose Nellie Germain; Tom Gernon; Jill Ghiraldi;  
newborn baby Lila Mae Greene; Debbie Harabedian;  
Gloria Harmel; Casano A.S. Holmes; Laurie Holmes;  
Kerri Ihm; Terri Ilardi; Ann Iovino & son Anthony;  
Irene Janis; Rita Johnson; Stephanie Kane; Kenneth;  
Samantha Janowitz; Elaine Kleinstauber; Richard Landi;  
Morgan Leary (age 6); Wayne Leo; Lauren Lossani;  
Jean Marsala-Kieffner; Lorraine Mango-Follini;  
Olivia Macchio; Thurman (Buddy) Marshall;  
Terrence Martin; Michael McElroy; Patricia McElroy (for  
strength); Kathleen Moccia; Victoria Nelson;  
Jean Noschese; Irene O'Leary; Joan O'Boyle;  
Maureen O'Donnell; Karen Owen; Thomas Pacileo;  
Joe P; Mary Ann Peet; Joseph Peter; Joseph Placa;  
Baby Ryan Rolston; Richard Ronning; Carlos Sanchez;  
Jennifer Savarese; Barbara Schiavello;  
Lawrence Shannon; Terry Shannon; Brenda Sichlina;  
Teresa Smith; Ted Stahura; Thomas Stahura;  
Patricia Stankes; Oscar Steadman; Craig Teitler;  
Chase Turano; Andrew J. Valentine;  
Andrew M. Valentine; Ellenjane Vinson; Jeanine Walsh;  
Greg Williams

*We ask those who wish to have the sick listed in the bulletin to submit their names through the collection or drop the name(s) off at the Church Office. Please use the cut-out in the bulletin for your convenience. **This listing will expire on March 29, 2015.** Please resubmit any names you wish to have continued.)*

## PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Ryan Zinna; our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

## FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

It was hunting season when a state trooper walked up to a man and his son in the car and said, "That's a nice buck you

have on the top of your car." The surprised man could not say anything, so his son answered for him, "That's nothing! You should see the one we have in the trunk!" Sometime we are trapped by what we are proud of.

**Today's Gospel speaks how the temple of God**, the pride of the Judaic religion has become a market place. As humans we always have the choice to either use or misuse/abuse our strength. We have the inner power to live like an angel or to behave like an animal.

**How can we turn our pride from being our weakness into our strength?** Jesus says "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." Then the Gospel continues to say "He was speaking about the temple of his body." Thus we can treat our body as God's temple to die to our pride, and to resurrect a new life wit in us.

**The spiritual exercises of the 40 Lenten days** lead us to the experience the mystery of Jesus' death and resurrection to happen in us also. These forty days are the time to examine how and where we are habitually and easily trapped in our pride. Lent exposes us to the wonderful opportunity of 'destroying the temple (our non-spiritual visions)' by which we have reduced ourselves to become a market place. Our Lenten journey awakens in us the spiritual power to rise to a new life. Let us start a new spiritual awareness in this third week of Lent.

**What a severe winter and biting cold temperatures!** For the last few weekends the snow and ice became big obstacles to drive to church. As many people could not come to church. It is understandable that the support collection went down. This is where 'Faith Direct' comes in handy.

Faith direct is electronic giving which helps your steady giving even when nature hinders your coming to church and your usual way of giving by. Please enroll yourself for 'Faith direct'. Forms are found in the Narthex by the bulletin holders. Or please call the rectory for further information. Electronic giving is a steady way of support to keep the church going with the exorbitant costs of heating and snow-removal.

**During Lent we pray the Stations of the Cross every Friday** at 7:00 pm in the church for a particular intention. This Friday March 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm we will pray for those who are battling with any type of addiction that God may strengthen their will, give them patience to experience God's healing and obtain peace and joy of living in sobriety.

**March 17<sup>th</sup> is the Feast of St. Patrick.** We hear St. Patrick's parade being marched in various villages of Long Island. At St. Thomas More we will celebrate St. Patrick's Day with dinner on Saturday March 28<sup>th</sup> after the 5:00 pm mass. All are welcome. As the saying goes, all are Irish at St. Patrick's celebration.

**OUR PRIEST CELEBRANTS** (*Subject to last minute changes*)

	This Weekend (March 7/8)	Next Weekend (March 14/15)
<u>Saturday</u>		
5:00	Fr. Cornelius	Fr. Antony
<u>Sunday</u>		
8:00am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Dahlke
9:15am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Irinel

10:45am Fr. Dahlke Fr. Cornelius  
12:15pm Fr. Irinel Fr. Antony

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony

## PARISH OUTREACH

*Our mission: to help people incorporate St. Thomas More Parish Outreach and the St. Thomas St. Vincent de Paul Conference.*

And the Lenten Season Has Begun....



*It is once again a time of sacrifice, a time of reflection, a time to get our priorities in order... a time to think about what is important in life. Is it "things"? Or is it our common humanity with others in our neighborhoods, others less fortunate? We would opt for the latter. With that in mind, we would ask you to donate what you are able to do, specifically meat products ( something easily cooked in a microwave, for example), cereals, pastas, vegetables, coffee, bread products, size 6 diapers (other than Huggies), personal care products, shampoos, detergents, etc. It is a time for reaching out to others. May our Outreach clients be your recipients. God Bless you.*

*We must mention the outstanding generosity of Engine Company #4 of the Hauppauge Fire Department, who donated many bags of food to our pantry, and the Knights of Columbus, who donated the entire proceeds of their Spaghetti Dinner to Outreach!!!!  
With advocates such as these, our program is indeed Blessed.*

## St Vincent de Paul Conference

**What we do:** The St Thomas More SVdP Conference helps relieve some of the burden put on Outreach. When the demand on Outreach goes beyond food and daily necessities, Outreach calls us. We contact the neighbor in need and arrange to meet with them in their home. We help by paying bills, networking, finding jobs & temporary housing, providing clothes and necessary furniture.

**What we have been doing:** We have been busy assisting our neighbors who are behind in their rent; helping with car insurance payments so people could continue to work; providing furniture and clothing vouchers, and heating assistance for others. Yes, we have ben busy and helpful because of your generosity. Please check our Lenten

Project bulletin board in the narthex.

**What you can do:** Support the conference. *All* of your donations are used to help those in our community ... your donations stay right here!

Although we have a close relationship with Outreach and we work hand in hand, our funds are separate from Outreach and require your support.

**Donations** can be made as follows:

Checks: SVdP St. Thomas More Conference

Cash: an envelope that says SVdP. Leave at the rectory.

**Become a Vincentian.** The only requirement is to have a desire to help. Together, as a conference, we offer the many skills and resources that enable to assist those in our community.

For more information, please call 234-3249. You can also contact the Parish SVdP Conference by emailing them at SVdPSTM@aol.com and you can follow them by liking them on FACEBOOK at "SVdP Conference of St. Thomas More".

## PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY



David Chester	John Chester
Carl F. Greiner	Michael White
Scott Lovelock	Thomas LaFemina
Justin Schneider	William Gregory
Christopher Day	Jason Doyle
Thomas Nichols	John Karies
Kaitlyn Nachtman	John Nachtman,
Adam Papaizai	Michael Poist
Jesse Bernstein	Michael Polanski
Kyle Rathje	Ryan Smith
William R. Rathje	Ethan Bernstein
Timothy Fallon	Philip Guidone
Tim Morris	Antonia Marie Rivera
Thomas Migliara	

If you have a service member or know of someone who is serving our country and you would like to have their name added to this list, please submit their names through the collection basket or the Church Office. If a soldier has returned, let us know.

## RESPECT LIFE NEWS

**ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
**HOLY HOUR: Tuesday, April 7, 2015, at 7pm.**

## PRO LIFE

Come join us, be faithful to your faith; prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood abortion center, defend the

defenseless, every Wednesday & Saturday 7:30 am till 11:00 am rain or shine, at 70 Maple Ave., Smithtown. Supporters from all denominations are welcome. The unborn need your support and help. For additional information, please contact Mary Ann & Al Rubenbauer at 864-1759.

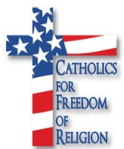
## **NEW WEBSITE—ST. THOMAS MORE**

Did you know that St. Thomas More has a website? We've had one in various forms since 1996, but we have found that many parishioners don't always make use of it. Recently the STM Pastoral Council has been discussing social media and the Internet at length. Like most communities, we have a growing population of persons who use several types of electronic media to stay in touch with information and keep their lives organized. In order to more effectively communicate parish information, we will be making more use of Facebook and Twitter. We have also re-launched our website with a brand new design.

We even have a much easier to remember web address now: [stmli.org](http://stmli.org) (that stands for "St. Thomas More, Long Island").

The website can be viewed not only on your computer, but on a smartphone or tablet as well. You will be able to link to our parish Facebook page and get connected to the Facebook and Twitter accounts of our Religious Education program and our Youth Program.

We will have contributed articles and postings from several areas of the parish, including some of our ministries, and will have a calendar of events covering both regular events as well as the special ones that take place during seasons such as Lent and Advent. There will be several other features added to site in the coming weeks. For now, make sure you check out the new site by going to [stmli.org](http://stmli.org) and bookmark it for future use.



## **Catholics for Freedom of Religion**

Since 1970, Open Doors has been monitoring persecution of Christians worldwide through the International Institute of Religious Freedom with academics dedicated to studying the religious liberty of Christians. ([open doors.org/2015-world-watch-list](http://opendoors.org/2015-world-watch-list))

China:  
Ranked #29 out of the 100 countries where Christians face the most persecution, the communist Chinese government aims to control all religious activities. The

state has declared some churches "evil cults" and has started a program to eradicate them. The Roman Catholic Church is illegal and the state is actively fighting against it.

Mexico:

Ranked #38 in the world facing the most persecution, Mexico's 120 million Christians (population 125 million), are victims of organized crime and the drug cartels. These violent groups target Christians because churches are revenue centers (extortions) and because churches support programs for the rehabilitation of drug addicts and alcoholics.

Return of Anti-Semitism:

Seventy years after the liberation of Auschwitz, violence and hatred against Jews is on the rise, especially in the Middle East and in Europe. ([www.wsj.com](http://www.wsj.com), 1/30/15)  
Attacks on Jews has been rising and many are now wondering if Europe will remain their home forever. Overall, 26,500 people immigrated to Israel in 2014, a 32% spike over 2013. ([theatlantic.com](http://theatlantic.com), 2/16/15; [cnn.com](http://cnn.com), 2/16/15)

FBI statistics on hate crimes committed in America in 2012 reveal that 60% of religious based hate crimes were against Jews. ([www.christianpost.com](http://www.christianpost.com), 11/26/13)

*Humanity needs to weep and this is the time to weep," said Pope Francis. The Pope condemned plotters of terrorism..."* ([newsmax.com](http://newsmax.com), 9/13/14)

## **CIRCLE OF WOMEN**



It is the mission of the *Circle of Women Book Group* to focus on the spiritual influence of contemporary writing that facilitates our own reflections of God's action in our daily lives. We meet on the second Monday of the month at 2:30pm in Walden Hall. For further information and/or to register, call Marilyn at 234-5805 or Joan at 234-1739.  
**March 9, 2015**—Major Pettigrew's Last Stand by Helen Simonson—Facilitator—Ann Belluardo  
**April 13, 2015**—Book selection for the year. Please bring a book that you would like to share with the group.

**USING FAITH DIRECT?** - It's quick and easy! Consider having automatic deductions from either your checking or savings or use a credit card to support St. Thomas More each week. With Faith Direct, there is no fee to you! Please visit the Faith Direct website at

[www.FaithDirect.net](http://www.FaithDirect.net) to sign up: our church code is NY227. You may also use the form located where you obtain the bulletin. We thank you for your support.

**UPDATING CREDIT CARD INFORMATION**—If you get a new card or a renewal card, make sure that this information is communicated to Faith Direct.

**CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES**—If you do not receive weekly envelopes and would like them mailed to you, please use the cut out that is in the bulletin and indicate that you wish to receive them on a regular basis. Usually it takes about two weeks for your request to be completed.

**MAINTENANCE COLLECTION**

We thank you for your support of our parish project to maintain our parish facilities. If you would like to help, please use a maintenance envelope where you obtain the bulletin.

**CEREAL BOX TOP COUPONS**—Drop them off in the Church lobby drop-off box and we will use them to buy things for the students in our regional school.

**USED CELL PHONES**—We thank everyone for giving us their old cell phones. We forward them to a convent that recycles them and uses the proceeds for the poor.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**—You can check online for any updates at <http://calendar.yahoo.com/stmreled>.

**HOLY FAMILY REGIONAL SCHOOL**, Commack, New York—Grades Nursery through 8th Grade. You may contact the school at [parents@holyfamilyregional.com](mailto:parents@holyfamilyregional.com) to schedule a tour of this parish's regional school, or visit the school website at [www.holyfamilyregional.com](http://www.holyfamilyregional.com)



**St. Thomas More  
Monsignor Francis S. Midura  
Council 6062**



**St. Patrick's Day  
Celebration:**

March 28 from 6-10pm in Walden Hall.  
Corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, Irish soda bread, wine, soda and coffee—**\$15 per person, \$45 or a family of four. A limited number of tickets will be sold, so hurry and get your tickets.**

**SUPPORT COLLECTION**

Collection of March 1, 2015 \$9,904.00



We are pleased to be offering a Lenten program for Kindergarteners and for those who will be attending Kindergarten next year. The six sessions will take place during the 9:15 mass on February 22, March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29. Children will be escorted by the teachers to the classroom in Walden Hall after the homily and parents will pick them up after mass. The program is free, but we ask that you register your child by calling the Religious Education office (234-0397) or by emailing Pat Chapin at [Pchapin@optonline.net](mailto:Pchapin@optonline.net) by February 19.

Save  
the  
Date!

3rd Annual  
Msgr. Francis S. Midura  
Memorial Golf Tour  
Thursday, September 17, 2015  
10:30 am, Tee-Off  
(Details to be announced)

**CALENDAR CLUB 2015**  
Here are the winners: March 1—7, 2015

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

- Sun. Mar. 1—#738—\$50—John & Jayne Limandri
- Mon. Mar. 2—#196—\$25—Andy & Kathy Turano
- Tues. Mar. 3—#559—\$25—Thomas & Lee Ann DeCillis
- Wed. Mar. 4—#407—\$25—Joe & Barbara Fratamico
- Thurs Mar. 5—#383—\$25—Phyllis Sivorio
- Fri. Mar. 6—#514—\$25—John & Courtney Como
- Sat. Mar. 7—#887—\$25—Jeanne Manfre

### Synod of Bishop Lineamenta document

We have been requested to share the following communication from Mr. Sean Dolan, Director of Communications of the Diocese of Rockville Centre

The Extraordinary Synod of Bishops was held in October 2014 with the theme: “The Pastoral Challenges of the Family in the Context of Evangelization.” This Extraordinary Synod will be followed by the Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops, **October 4-25, 2015** with the theme: “The Vocation and Mission of the Family in the Church and in the Contemporary World.” The final document of the Extraordinary Synod, the *Relatio Synodi*, is the preparatory document or “Lineamenta” of the XIV Ordinary General Assembly. As is customary in the synod process, His Eminence, Cardinal Lorenzo Baldisseri, the General Secretary of the Synod of Bishops invites consultation on this topic to help with its preparation.

Contained within this Preparatory Document which was issued by the Holy See to begin this process is a series of questions. This document can be found at [http://www.vatican.va/roman\\_curia/synod/documents/rc\\_synod\\_doc\\_20141209\\_lineamenta-xiv-assembly\\_en.html](http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/synod/documents/rc_synod_doc_20141209_lineamenta-xiv-assembly_en.html). It is also available by clicking on the “Synod of Bishops” icon on the index page of our diocesan website – [drcv.org](http://drcv.org). Bishop Murphy is welcoming responses to these questions from the faithful of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, and you are invited to read the entire document before responding. .

If you, our parishioners wish to respond to any or all of the questions, please be mindful of the following guidelines:

1. Only E-mail responses sent to [synodofbishops@drcv.org](mailto:synodofbishops@drcv.org) <mailto:[synodofbishops@drcv.org](mailto:synodofbishops@drcv.org)> will be accepted.
2. Only E-mail responses that include the respondent’s name and parish will be accepted.
3. Responses will be accepted in the languages the Lineamenta is available in from the Vatican – that is: English, Spanish, French, Italian, German and Portuguese.
4. Thank you in advance for not sending faxes, mailed, printed or handwritten documents. They will not be accepted.

5. The questions to address upon reflection are those found in the Preparatory Document and may be found on the Vatican website: [http://www.vatican.va/roman\\_curia/synod/documents/rc\\_synod\\_doc\\_20141209\\_lineamenta-xiv-assembly\\_en.html](http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/synod/documents/rc_synod_doc_20141209_lineamenta-xiv-assembly_en.html)

[rc\\_synod\\_doc\\_20141209\\_lineamenta-xiv-assembly\\_en.html](http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/synod/documents/rc_synod_doc_20141209_lineamenta-xiv-assembly_en.html)

6. When responding, specific reference must be given to the question number. So, for instance, if one is responding to question 3 in the Preparatory Document, that fact should be clearly indicated in the response.

7. All responses must be received by **March 13, 2015**.

For any questions, please contact:

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Web: [www.drcv.org](http://www.drcv.org) <<http://www.drcv.org>>

### *RCIA*

There are 4 people going through the RCIA program this year who will be coming into full communion with the Catholic church at the Easter Vigil. We ask you, as the community of St Thomas More, to please pray for Manuel Cancel, James Peck, Dina Caperna, and Christian Cancel especially during Lent. An easel with their pictures and cards with their names will be in the Narthex. Please take a card as a reminder to pray for them and welcome them as they journey towards becoming new Catholic Christians. Thank you.



Christian Cancel & Dina Caperna, two of our catechumens with Bishop Murphy after the Rite of Election at St. Joseph’s on Sunday, February 22, 2015.

# Music MINISTRY

## CHOIR NEWS!



We are forming the Easter/ Communion Kids Choir to sing through the Easter Season and First Communion Masses. Grades 3 through High School are welcome to join their voices in this celebration season.

Rehearsals will be on March 14th and March 21st from 11:00am to 12noon. To join or for information, please call Emilia at 724-8820.

Your voices can make all the difference in the world. Come, join and lift up your voices to the Lord!

***Our Lenten Cantata*** is called “**Upon this Rock**”. It will be performed on Wednesday of Holy Week—April 1st at 7:00pm. It is the story of Peter responding to the call of Jesus “Come follow Me”. All ages are welcome to attend this beautiful story done to upbeat music with a profound message for all.

It is a great way to start our Holy Week services. So mark your calendars—April 1st. Come and bring your family and friends too!



## GOLDEN WEDDING JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

This spring, couples who have been married fifty years or more will be honored at liturgies on Sunday, April 19 at the Church of St. Lawrence the Martyr in Sayville and on Sunday, April 26 at the Church of Maria Regina in Seaford. Both liturgies will begin at 2:30pm. *Couples may register for ONE liturgy.* Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory. Registration must be received by the Office of Worship by April 6 for the April 19 liturgy and by April 13 for the April 26 liturgy. There will be additional celebrations in the fall for those who may find that more convenient. If you have any questions you may call 516-678-5800 ext. 207.

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## YOUNG AT HEART

On **March 13th** the Young At Heart will have its annual St. Patrick's Day Luncheon in Walden Hall.

### Congratulations!

We have been advised that **Jillian Borghardt** (Grade 11) was on the **Principal's List at Our Lady of Mercy Academy** for the Second Quarter. In addition, the following students made the Honor Roll for the Second Quarter at St. Anthony's High School. Keep up your good work!

Alex Aliscio	Emily Gallagher
Krista Aliscio	Tyler Grippo
Brett Boller	Michael Haggerty
Victoria Byrnes	Madison Lulley
Victoria Cipri	Morgan Lulley
Maggie Curley	Terrence Mooney
Kayla DeCristofaro	Nicole Pikulik
Alexander Delgado	Rebecca Safranek
Nicole Falcone	William Waters
Victoria Faulisi	Joseph Zappulla



### Our Lenten Journey....Soup Supper and Stations of the Cross

Come and join the family of St. Thomas More on Friday, March 27, 2015 for a Soup Supper and

Stations of the Cross. The focus of Prayer will be Cross and Hunger, Homelessness and Poverty -- we pray for those who hunger for food, love and meaning in their life. If you would like to contribute a soup please call the Rectory at 234-5551.

Soup Supper	6:00pm - 7:00pm
Stations of the Cross	7:00pm - 7:30pm

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Persons attending: \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Adults: \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Children: \_\_\_\_\_

## COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

*(First Notice)*

**Hibernian Festival Singers—"Dublin's Irish Cabaret" March 15 at 3pm**—the Bay Shore High School featuring Andy Cooney and his Band, Ireland's comedian, Noel V. Ginnity, the Darrah Carr Dance and the Hibernian Festival Singers, under the direction of Christopher Bilella. Tickets \$35. For info call 631-665-1371 or 631-563-1032.

**Sisters of St. Joseph—Sacred Heart Chapel—Brentwood. March 22 at 3pm**—St. Thomas More Choir will perform "Upon This Rock". All are welcome.  
**St. James R.C. Church**, 429 Route 25A, Setauket, NY Kelly Shackelford, Edq., President & CEO, Liberty Institute Plano, TX and Thomas Renker, Edq. General Counsel, DRVC, NY discuss why there is a need to protect and restore religious freedom in America and how it is under serious attack—in our schools, our churches, our military, and throughout the public arena. **March 25 at 7pm.** For more info call 631-896-8331 or email parishleaders@yahoo.com

**Lenten Retreat Day—Villa Immaculata House of Prayer** (3560 Sound Avenue [opp. Roanoke Vineyards] Riverhead). **Saturday, March 28, 10am to 4pm.** \$20 pp. Bring a "Bag Lunch". Coffee & tea available. Space is limited. For reservations or directions call 631-727-5122 Mon—Fri. between 10am—5pm before March 21, 2015.

**Bereavement Support Group**—St. Mary's Parish in East Islip—free 8-week support group for adults struggling to cope with the death of a loved one. Registration required for this group, which begins Wed. **April 8** from 7 until 9pm. (Refreshments included). For info and/or registration, please call the rectory at 631-581-4266 x 100. To participate, death must have occurred prior to January 8, 2015.

**St. Anthony of Padua Parish Outreach—General Bereavement Group.** Meets weekly for 6 sessions. **Tuesday, April 7 through May 12** at the Blue Liturgy Room, Basement of Trinity School—1025 Fifth Ave., East Northport from 2:30 to 3:30 pm. For registration, call Gertrude Frein 757-2103.

*(Second Notice)*

**Our Lady of Grace Spiritual Center—Special Retreat Workshop**—Tuesday, **March 10**, 2015 from 9:30am to 4pm. Presenter: Paul Alexander. Cost \$50 (lunch included), To register, please call 516-627-9255, or email olgcenter@gmail.com

**Office of Faith Formation—DRVC—Myers-Briggs Workshop**—Presenter Suzanne Richards. Myers Briggs is a proven method for helping people enhance personal growth, clarify career direction and develop leadership skills. Christ the King Parish, Commack. Sat. **April 18 and 25**—9am to 4pm. \$75 per person (2-day workshop). (Attendance required for both dates). Pre-Registration required. Phone 516-678-5800; www.drvc-faith.org

**PRAYING FOR THE SICK  
— Adding a name Request —**

PLEASE ADD THE FOLLOWING TO THE PARISH LISTING OF THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

Name of person(s) who is (are) ill:  
Relationship to the person who is ill:

Person making the Request:

TODAY'S DATE:

*(Please place in collection basket or drop off at Church Office)*

**CHURCH MINISTRIES**

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING A LITURGICAL MINISTER OR WANT TO SHARE YOUR TALENTS?

Please complete the following form:

I would like to volunteer in the following parish ministry:

- Altar Server
- Usher
- RCIA
- Lector
- Consolation Minister
- Rosary Altar Society
- Caring for Altar Plants
- Adult Lending Library
- Hospitality
- Greeter
- Liturgy with Children
- Eucharistic Minister
- Landscaping/Planting
- Pre-Cana
- FOCCUS
- Banner Committee

Name:

Address:

Phone:

**CATHOLIC MINISTRIES  
APPEAL 2015**

<b>Our Parish Goal</b>	<b>\$69,300.00</b>
<b>Pledges to date</b>	<b>\$19,305.00</b>
<b>Percentage of Goal</b>	<b>27.86%</b>



**REGISTRATION and/or  
ENVELOPE REQUEST**

NAME(s):

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

E-MAIL:

I/we would like to register in the parish.

Please send contribution envelopes.

I am already registered in the parish but do not receive contribution envelopes. I would like to receive them.

Other \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please return in collection or return to Church Office)*

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**CATHOLIC MINISTRIES  
APPEAL 2015**

I/we would like to support the Catholic Ministries Appeal for 2015.

NAME(s)ADDRESS:

PHONE:

Amount of the pledge: *(Check one below)*

\$150 \_\_\_\_\_

\$300 \_\_\_\_\_

\$500 \_\_\_\_\_

\$1,000 \_\_\_\_\_

\$1,500 \_\_\_\_\_

\$2,500 \_\_\_\_\_

\$5,000 \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_ How much? \_\_\_\_\_

(Please indicate)

Check for entire amount is enclosed.

Installment enclosed. I would like to pay the rest

monthly—10 payments

bi-monthly—4 payments

semi-annually—May & September

I prefer to use a credit card. Information will be sent to you so that you can contact the CMA office directly.

*(Please return to the Church Office for further processing)*

## St. Thomas More Employment Services

\*Are you presently unemployed and looking for a part-time or full-time job? \* Do you have or know of any job openings? If so, call our Employment Services Office, 234.4629 and leave a message for Mae Devine or call Mae on Monday mornings. Calls are kept in strict confidence.

### POSITIONS AVAILABLE

**Bethpage Credit Union**—Outside mortgage Loan Officers, Mortgage Sales Mgrs, Branch Mgrs., Head Tellers; P/T Tellers at various locations.

**Cablevision** - Understand state of the Art Digital Video - PC skills - outstanding benefits.

**CVD Equipment Corp**—Hiring for 1st & 2nd Shifts—Engineers, Supervisors, Mgrs., Wirers & many more. Competitive salaries. 401K, Medical, Dental, vacations.

**Darley Dental Supply**—Now Hiring 1) Inside Sales Account Mgr., 2) Sales Mgr. Special Markets/Government Business; 3) Dental Equipment Coordinator; 4) Customer Relations; 5) Product Specialist—Oral Surgery/Periodontics

**Diligent Credit Solutions**—Sales Trainees, Account Executives; Sales Consultants—they will train right candidate.

**Geico Insurance**—Sales reps, mgt trainees, claim services reps. —750 Woodbury Rd, Woodbury, NY. 9am –3pm, M-F, Open House, but apply on line first. Valid Photo ID required.

#### **Healthcare Opportunities** -

1. Good Samaritan Hospital, 631.969.8200
2. Mather Hospital, 631.476.2774
3. Brookhaven Hospital, 631.447.3708
4. Maryhaven, 631.474.4120, X212 - [Contact Maryhaven Directly](#)

**Housekeepers** - FT/PT positions for small offices and homes.

**Long Island Federal Credit Union—Stony Brook**—Financial Service Assoc.; FT/PT tellers; Home Lending Officer.

**Hauppauge**—FT/PT Tellers & Member Ser. Specialist. **Massapequa & Sayville**— FT/PT Tellers.

**J.S. Pharmaceuticals Inc.**—Now hiring all depts. 4 day work week. 401K Profit Sharing, medical, paid vacation.

**Newsday**—Senior Accountant—Assist in month end process—prepare & review balance sheets, inventory, etc.

Collators. \$10.73 per hr. Afternoon & evening shifts—must be able to work thru calendar year. HS diploma— 18 yrs. or older  
—Accountant—Senior—assist journal entries, prepare & review accruals, inventory procedures, etc. 2 yr. experience, CPA preferred.

**Newspaper Delivery**—Excellent 2nd income—early AM hours—car & valid NYS license.

Customer service skills—excellent benefits—van, mobile phone, uniforms supplied.

**South Nassau Hospital**—Licensed Professionals— RNs, Therapists, OP, and many other departments.

#### **St. Catherine of Siena**—

1. **Nursing Home**—Nurse Practitioners, RN supervisors, Recreation Therapists, FT/PT nights, P/T days and weekends, Rehab PT/ FT—dietary;
2. **Hospital**—Lab Technologist & Medical Lab assistant. Physical Therapists
3. **Physical Therapy Aides**—PT/ Sport Services, Hauppauge. Mon. thru Fri., days and evenings.
4. **Nurse Manager**—MRI techs, CT techs, Lab techs.

**Town of Smithtown:** PT certified teachers, teachers assistant & sub. before or after school programs Smithtown & Kings Park school districts.

See “Civil Service Notice” posted on the bulletin board for future Civil Service Exams. For more information about any of the listed positions please call 234-4629. Note - All babysitting, infant child care, nanny, home care aides, etc. positions are in the child’s home. References are required for all of these positions including nursing aides, home health care aides, etc. It is the responsibility of the employer to check all references prior to hiring.

\*\*\*\*We have a list of names of those willing to baby-sit in their homes.

\*\*\*\*We have a list of certified tutors for all Grades.